

## INDIANA STATE BOARD OF EDUCATION

**To:** State Board of Education

From: Brian Murphy, State Board of Education

**Date:** August 12, 2020

**RE:** Freeway Contract Amendment for World Changers School of the Arts (D917)

STAFF RECOMMENDATION: World Changers School of the Arts' ("WCSA") request to amend the Freeway School Contract should be granted.

## I. Introduction

WCSA is requesting to amend its Freeway School Contract ("contract") to begin operations in the 2021-22 school year rather than 2020-21.

## II. Basis for Agency Review

Pursuant to IC 20-26-15-1 *et seq.*, school corporations or individual schools may seek Freeway Accreditation by petitioning the Indiana State Board of Education ("Board"). The petition submitted by the school corporation or school must agree to abide by the legal requirements set forth in IC 20-26-15. If the Board votes to approve the Freeway Petition, the parties must enter into a Freeway Contract. Per IC 20-26-15-9, the governing body of a Freeway School and the Board "acting jointly" may amend a contract:

- (1) to comply with any law enacted subsequent to the formation of the contract;
- (2) to alter the educational benefits to a level that is not below the minimum educational benefits listed in section 7 of this chapter; or
- (3) for a purpose jointly agreed to by the parties.